

THE CHURCH OF GOD EVANGEL

THE DAY OF PENTECOST
"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one place." Acts 2:1. "And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost and began to speak with other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 2:4.

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life."

DIVINE HEALING IN THE ATONEMENT
"But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities; the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed."—Isa. 53:5.

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Report of Work In California And Arizona

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MERCED, Calif.—We are just back from a two months tour of the work in Arizona and California, during which time we visited every Church and Mission in the two states with but one exception, and were able to visit some new places besides. God was with us all along the way, and blessed our every effort put forth for the advancement of His Kingdom and Church, we covered about four thousand miles en route and never grew weary with the journey, although our physical strength almost reached the breaking point at times, as we had to spend several nights on the road, with little, or no time for eating or sleeping, in order to reach our appointments in time. Part of the trip was up in the mountains, more than a mile above sea level, nestled among the clouds which poured lots of rain on us, as the thunder was pealing forth its loudest tones and lightning rent the skies. While next we would find ourselves steering our course across fertile valleys where agriculture was flourishing, then again across the burning deserts for hundreds of miles where there is little or no rainfall, at times reaching a level that was two hundred or more feet below the sea.

We had no little interest in the twenty-eight different varieties of cactus growth which held one charmed with their weird forms, some rising to the lofty height of fifty-five feet and weighing more than eight tons it was said by those who were authority. The lowly denizens of the sandy desert waste, rattlesnakes, vinegaroons, scorpions, tarantulas, gila monsters, etc. held our attention some of the time at least, and you can be sure we were careful where we trod. We killed one large rattler and chased a chuckawalla (monstrous black and yellow lizard) to his den under a rock.

Getting back to the start, we left home in Long Beach, Calif. in company with Brother Hilton Vail, who rendered music on his cornet, and helped in the meetings otherwise for several weeks, until he was obliged to return home for some rest and to recuperate from an attack of sickness. We stopped in San Diego for one night, where we were royally entertained in the home of one of our ministering brothers, W. M. Corns, who along with his good wife surely made us welcome. We attended service that night at one of the missions where Sister Margaret Gilgren was engaged in a revival meeting. The writer gave a short talk which seemed to be appreciated by all. From there we went to the Imperial and Coachella Valleys, stopping four nights at the Indian Church in the Martinez Reservation, where God met us in a special way. We preached each night to a large crowd, a dozen or more were at the altar, several blessed, one man received the Holy Ghost who had been seeking for years, several were slain under the power of the Spirit, and there was much rejoicing and dancing in the Spirit. We had an all day meeting on Sunday with dinner on the ground and baptized two converts in a pool of water fed by an artesian (overflowing) well, which was a novel experience for the writer. Leaving the reservation before day on Monday we proceeded to Yuma, Ariz., where we were scheduled to perform a marriage ceremony at the Pentecostal Church; returning to the valley the same day, we enjoyed a good night's rest in the home of Brother and Sister Sanderson at the "Sunny Land Ranch" on the shore of the Salton Sea.

Taking our leave again on Tuesday we stopped for one night at Yuma where we preached for Brother Wagner and his folks at the Free Pentecostal Church, they welcomed us to their services, and made us feel at home. Our next stop was at Phoenix, Ariz. At this point Brother J. R. Dodson from Los Angeles joined us in the meeting which continued for two weeks, where the Lord met us again in a special way, several were blessed at the altar, some renewed their covenant with God, sinners seeking God, the last night two Catholic men were at the altar, one from our former home in the East (Cincinnati, Ohio). We baptized two more in water the last Sunday. The power of God fell in a marvelous way on the banks of the irrigation canal and in the water as well, one sister being knocked down

by the power of the Spirit and we had quite a time fishing her out of the swift water to finally administer the ordinance. The sister for the time being was of the opinion that we had baptized her the second time. The Church at Phoenix is beginning to grow and take on material form under the leadership of Brother H. V. Miller who has had considerable training in this work, being formerly a Salvation Army Captain in charge of the Phoenix unit. The power of God fell so strong at times that every saved person in the house would rise to their feet with up-lifted hands, and while their lips poured forth the high praises of God, would go marching around the room in single file, some dancing and speaking in other tongues as they went. From Phoenix we continued to Bisbee, Ariz., stopping en route at Gila Bend to see Brother and Sister Martin, two of our Church of God preachers, who had just closed a successful revival for the Free people. A goodly number were saved and sanctified, some received the Holy Ghost. Among the number was a prominent business woman who took off her worldly dress and jewelry, got a call to the mission fields, sold her place of business, and was on her way to the Hawaiian Islands. I was informed all this was done in about two weeks time. We feel that much good seed has been sowed here, and possibly the way paved for a Church of God in the near future. Brother and Sister Gill have charge of the work there, and have extended us a welcome to preach. They have considerable means, own the church building, a large modern tourist camp, and other business. At Bisbee we were blessed of the Lord in a four nights meeting, several seeking the Lord for a deeper experience. One prominent lady was sanctified and shouted and danced all around, filled with the fullness of joy. The Church there is moving on nicely in charge of Brother Grant Stonelake, a French-Canadian (Ex-Catholic) from far off Halifax, Nova Scotia. He also was formerly a captain in the Salvation Army (being the eighth one the Lord has added to us in the work here since coming West). He maintains a relief depot and feeds and clothes many folks who are in need.

Our next stop was at Globe, where we took in the State Convention, which was by far the greatest meeting of the kind ever staged in this part of the country, from what we have been able to learn. Brother Knight and party spared no labor or means, in making the final arrangements for the meeting. The Church was repainted and decorated inside and out for the occasion. A large red cross was erected on the platform back of the speaker's stand with a bouquet of white lilies fixed in the center of it, red and white streamers were so fixed as to represent the blood trickling down, with rays of light falling from above which parted at the top of center of upright piece forming the cross. "Jesus Saves" was painted in red on either side of the cross, with our California and Arizona State banners displayed from the wall at the two extreme sides. The altar railing and other wood-work around the rostrum was painted snow white, with branches from trees so fixed as to depict real mountain scenes so peculiar to this part of the country, and not less than a dozen large bouquets of red, white and yellow flowers, uniformly

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THE TWO SIGNALS

Thou shalt love the Lord *** thy neighbour.—Luke 10:27.

At the entrance to the harbour at the Isle of Man there are two lights, which guide the mariner into the harbour. One would think the two signals would confuse the pilot. But the fact is, he has to keep them in line, and so long as he keeps the two lights in line his vessel is safe. And it is just as we keep our eye on the two signals—the love of God and the love of man—that we keep the channel, and are safe from the rocks on either hand.—Dr. W. L. Watkinson.

The Coming of The Lord

Mrs. C. D. Johnson, St. Marys, W. Va.

By faith I see the sky grow bright,
Oh yes, and brighter, brighter still;
Behold! the moon and stars grow dim
Amid the night when all is still.

Oh yes, 'tis bright, 'tis bright, and glory all around,
Until the moon and stars cannot by sight be found.
What does it mean? The night has turned to day;
The day is breaking, the shadows have flown away.

My Lord is near, oh yes, He's near,
My heart has nothing now to fear;
Oh! my raptured soul can hear them singing,
Lo! the whole sky with music's ringing.

On harps of gold the angels play
To welcome at last this glorious day.
I see them, oh yes, I see them!
Angels so bright and fair.

They are filling the air with their beauty;
Oh they seem to be everywhere!
Hark! oh listen! the sweetest voice!
It's saying, "You've made me your choice,

Arise, my love, and come away."
This is what I hear Him say.
And now, oh what wondrous beauty
As I behold His face!

My rapturous soul does long
To be within His fond embrace.
Oh look, His arms outstretched for me!
My Jesus, I am coming up to Thee.

My heart has longed to see this day,
And now I'll be with Thee for aye.
Oh what joy! Our happiness shall never end.
My well beloved, my Bridegroom, my friend.

Interested In Lost Souls

LAFAYETTE, Ga.—I have never written to the paper, but feel impressed to write this morning, and that it would be pleasing to the Lord. I am so interested in the souls of lost men and women that I want to do something for the Lord. We want a revival at this place, but the people seem so hard to reach. Brother and Sister Newman ran a meeting here and they surely did preach the Word and people would get under conviction, but still they would stand back and reject God. They surely did sow some good seed, and we are so hungry for the reaping time to come. We want to see people saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. We want them to get old time salvation so they can stand against the wiles of the devil, for it surely will take the whole armor of God to stand in these last days.

We are expecting Brother V. L. Mitchell from Alabama to start a revival here June 14th. If any one who reads this feels led of the Lord to come and help us we would be glad to have you. We want people that will stand four square for the Church of God. Brother or sister, if the Lord puts this on your heart come and help us. The saints seem to be more interested in lost souls than ever before. Every one who reads this pray earnestly for the meeting. We are expecting the Lord to do great things for us. The God we serve has never lost a battle. Praise the dear name of Jesus!—Mrs. W. H. Swift.

WANTS THE HOLY GHOST

HOPE MILLS, N. C.—Dear readers of the Evangel, I am glad I can report victory over sin. I am on my way to the land above, and I love Jesus best of all. I realize there is nothing in this world to turn back to, and I ask all who know the worth of prayer to pray for me that God will have His way in my life. I want the Holy Ghost and I know that when God's people pray for any one thing, doubting nothing, it shall be done. Praise His sweet name!

We thank the Lord for sending Brother Kaeigle to Hope Mills, N. C. He surely preached the Gospel with power—standing on the Word. We thank God for five souls saved, and two added to the church. Seven followed the Lord in water baptism. Pray that my husband will press on and do the will of the Lord.—Ethel Thornton.

Good Seed Sown—The Lord Blessed

COLORADO, Tex.—I can truly praise God this evening for He has been so good to us here at this place. Our little band of saints have all moved away, except about three, and we had not been in services since last Fall until Brother and Sister Wood, our state overseer, and Brother and Sister Jack Ellis came here April 18th and began a revival at the little Free Pentecostal Tabernacle. Sister Hazel Dattie of Electra played the piano. They preached the Word in its fullness, and the building would not hold the people that came. There were several saved and sanctified and three received the Holy Ghost. Deep conviction seemed to settle on the people every night as the altar call was given, but so many would not yield. The power fell in a wonderful way, and there was shouting, dancing and talking in tongues. Good seed has been sown that we trust will bring forth fruit. I am sure the people have the light on the Church if they will only accept it, as Brother Wood surely did make it plain. Some of the saints from Big Springs and Sweetwater came over and helped out in the meeting. It closed Sunday night, May 10th. Pray that the Lord will give us a church.—Your humble brother and sister in the Lord, Mr. and Mrs. Pleas Richters.

Church Dedicated

SALE CREEK, Tenn.—We met in the church at this place the second Sunday in May to dedicate the building to the Lord. The Lord was with us in great power. We had a number of good preachers and a large crowd of other people with us. In the forenoon we had the dedication service. Brother J. W. Nelson brought the message, which was greatly enjoyed by all who heard it, then we were dismissed and a dinner was spread, and a number of folks enjoyed a great feast.

After dinner we went back into the services and had a good time the rest of the day. We observed the Lord's Supper and washed the saints' feet. Brother Mulkey brought the message. The Lord blessed in the old time way. Praise His name!

We want all who know the worth of prayer to pray for us at this place. We are looking for a good revival, which is to begin on the first Sunday in June.—Your brother in the Lord, E. H. Long.

The Love That Passeth Knowledge

H. G. Sheeks

"To know the love of Christ which passeth knowledge." Eph. 3:19.

If I could only make men understand the real meaning of the words of the Apostle John, "God is love," I would take that single text and go up and down the world proclaiming this glorious truth. If you can convince a man that you love him, you have won his heart. If we could really make people believe that God loves them, we would find them crowding into the kingdom of heaven. The trouble is men think God hates them and so they are all the time running away from Him. There is nothing in this world that men prize as much as they do love. Show me a person who has no one to care for or love him, and I will show you one of the most wretched beings on earth. Why do people commit suicide? Very often it is because this thought steals in upon them, that no one loves them and they would rather die than live. I know of no truth in the whole Bible that ought to come home to us with such power and tenderness as that of the love of God, and there is no truth in the Bible that Satan would so much like to blot out. For more than six thousand years he has been trying to persuade men that God does not love them. He succeeded in making our first parents believe this lie, and he often succeeds with their children.

WHEN DOES GOD LOVE US?

The idea that God does not love us often comes from false teachings. Mothers make a mistake in teaching children that God does not love them when they do wrong, but only when they do right. That is not taught in the Scriptures. You do not teach your children that when they do wrong you hate them. Their wrong doing does not change your love to hate. If it did, you would change your love a great many times. Because your child is fretful or has committed some act of disobedience you do not cast him out as though he did not belong to you. No, he is still your child and you love him. And if men have gone astray from God it does not follow that He hates them. It is the sin that He hates. I believe the reason why a great many people think God does not love them is because they are measuring God by their own small rule, from their own standpoint. We love men as long as we consider them worthy of our love. When they are not, we cast them off. It is not so with God. There is a vast difference between human love and divine love.

THE DIMENSIONS OF GOD'S LOVE

In Eph. 3:18 we are told of the breadth and length and depth and height of God's love. Many of us think we know something of God's love but centuries hence we shall admit we have never found out much about it. Columbus discovered America but what did he know about its great lakes, rivers, forests, and the Mississippi valley? He died without knowing much about what he had discovered. Many of us have discovered something of the love of God but there are heights, depths, and lengths of it we do not know. That love is a great ocean and we plunge into it before we really know anything of it. It is said of a Roman Catholic archbishop of Paris, that when he was thrown into prison and condemned to be shot, a little while before he was led out to die, he saw a window in his cell in the shape of a cross. Upon the top of the cross he wrote height; at the bottom, depth; and at the end of each

arm, length. He had experienced the truth conveyed in the hymn, "When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of Glory died." When we wish to know the love of God we should go to Calvary. Can we look upon that scene and say, God did not love us? That cross speaks of the love of God. Greater love never has been taught than that which the cross teaches. What prompted God to give up Christ to die if it were not love? Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. Christ laid down His life for His enemies. Christ laid down His life for His murderers. Christ laid down His life for those who hated Him, and the spirit of the cross, the spirit of Calvary, is love. When they were mocking Him and deriding Him what did He say? "Father, forgive them for they know not what they do." That is love. He did not call down fire from heaven to consume them. There was nothing but love in His heart.

THE LOVE OF GOD IS UNCHANGEABLE

If you study the Bible you will find that the love of God is unchangeable. Many who loved at one time have perhaps grown cold in their affections and turned away from you. It may be that their love is changed to hatred. It is not so with God. It is recorded of Jesus Christ, just when He was about to be parted from His disciples and led away to Calvary, that having loved His own which were in the world, He loved them unto the end. John 13:1. He knew that some of His disciples would betray Him, yet He loved Judas. He knew that another disciple would deny Him and swear that he never knew Him yet He loved Peter. It was the love which Christ had for Peter that broke His heart and brought him back in penitence to the feet of His Lord. For three years Jesus had been with the disciples trying to teach them His love, not only by His life and words but by His work, and on the night of His betrayal He took a basin of water, girded Himself with a towel and taking the place of a servant, washed their feet. He wanted to convince them of His unchanging love. There is no portion of Scripture that I like to read as John 14, and there is none that is sweeter to me. I never get tired of reading it. Hear what our Lord says as He pours out His heart to His disciples, "At that day ye shall know that I am in my Father and ye in me and I in you; he that hath my commandments and keepeth them, he it is that loveth me, and he that loveth me, shall be loved by my Father." John 11:20,21. Think of the great God who created heaven and earth loving you and me. "If a man love me, he shall keep my words and my Father will love him and we will come unto him and make our abode with him." V. 23. Would to God that our puny minds could grasp this great truth, that the Father and the Son so love us that they desire to come and abide with us, not to tarry for a night, but to come and abide in our hearts. We have another passage more wonderful still in John 17:23, "I in them and thou in me, that they may be made perfect in one and that the world may know that thou hast sent me and hast loved them as thou hast loved me." That is one of the most remarkable sayings that ever fell from the lips of Jesus Christ. There is no reason why the Father should not love Him. He was obedient unto death. He never transgressed the Father's law, or turned aside from the path of perfect obedience by one hair's breadth. It is very different with us, and yet, notwithstanding all our rebellion and foolishness, He says that if we are trusting in Christ, the Father loves us as He loves the Son. Marvelous love! Wonderful love! That God can possibly love us as He loves His own Son seems too good to be true, yet that is the teaching of Jesus Christ. It is hard to make a sinner believe in this unchangeable love of God. When a man has wandered away from God he thinks that God hates him. We must make a distinction between sin and the sinner. God loves the sinner but He hates sin, because it mars human life. It is just because God loves the sinner that He hates sin.

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We invite all the workers to send us reports of interest from the battlefield. If nothing else, a postal card telling where you are this week.

Help to make the Evangel a medium of information as well as a spiritual blessing.

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Editorials

The General Overseer has just returned from a trip to Michigan and Kentucky and reports the work in first class condition in each state.

Orders for Sunday School literature are being filled as fast as they are received and a shipment of literature will leave the office in the next few days.

The following letter was received from Brother Zeno C. Tharp, pastor of the Church of God at Greenville, S. C.: "We are sending you 2100 soap coupons. This makes 5400 coupons that the church here has sent, and we will continue to get some more if you want them." We certainly appreciate the interest that the church at Greenville has taken in soliciting coupons, and all others who have aided and are aiding us in equipping our orphanage homes.

Hot weather is here now and if you need fans, please remember that we have them in stock. They sell for 5c each, 45c per dozen, and \$2.50 per hundred.

We have just received word from M. A. Tate, Pemberton, W. Va. that a good revival is in progress there, and they have asked an interest in the prayers of all who read this.

Since last issue of the paper we have received subscriptions and renewals for the Evangel amounting to \$78.70. We highly appreciate the faithful workers who are working for the interest of our paper.

Old Time Church of God Revival

KATHLEEN, Fla. — The Lord has visited this place in a wonderful way. On May 7th we started a revival here and the Lord met with us in great power from the beginning; every service was a success; we had good crowds and the interest was good throughout the meeting. About eight were saved, eight sanctified, ten filled with the Holy Ghost, ten followed the Lord in water baptism and eleven came into the church.

The church here has had many hard knocks by the devil, and it has been reported by some that it would not stand, but, thank God, while the devil was howling there were a few humble saints pleading for victory, and we feel the revival is only in answer to prayer. Oh, hallelujah! Eternity alone will tell the good that has been done!

Brother and Sister B. J. Hillhouse were with us in the revival. Brother Hillhouse did the principal part of the preaching, and the Lord surely did bless Him in giving out the Word. Sister Hillhouse also was faithful in the services. She surely was at her post in leading the praise services, in playing the piano, song service and in the altar work. We certainly appreciate their faithfulness and kindness while here. There are many who will never forget them. Any one wishing a revival will do well to secure them.

Our district pastor, Brother R. E. Drymon, visited us and preached for us a few times during the revival, which was certainly appreciated. Also a number of faithful workers came from Lakeland and worked faithfully with us in the song and altar services. Well we don't know just how to express it, but we just praise God for all of this. Surely every worker for the Lord will be abundantly paid for all their labors.

Well, I can't afford to stop without

Requests

I have a sore on my eye that has been there about eight years. Saints everywhere, please pray that the Lord will heal me. Also pray that I will be saved.—Lizzie Pasaf, Reddick, Fla.

Dear saints, please pray for the Lord to completely heal my body so I can go back on the battlefield for the Lord.—Your brother in Christ, C. T. Harris, Rt. 1, Fair Play, S. C.

Pray for my little granddaughter to be healed. The doctors say she has rickets.—Darius Wiggs, Box 113, Ravia, Okla.

We are in service near Pike, W. Va. This is a ripe field for harvest. We have the work at heart but we have no building to have service in. Pray a special prayer that God will give us a building and souls for our labor.—C. E. Martin, Pike, W. Va.

We want to especially ask prayer for the meeting that we have here every fourth Sunday in the month and that we may have a revival in the near future. The whole Gospel has never been preached here.—L. T. Goff, Pelham, Ga.

I request the dear saints who read this to please pray for the dear Lord to heal my afflicted body. I have been healed many times and have faith to believe the Lord will answer prayer. I am saved, sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost, and helping to rescue every lost soul I can through prayer. Your humble sister in Christ, Mrs. L. Rumsusser, Rt. 4, Box 76, Selma, Ala.

I surely need your prayers as I am not strong in body. My heart, nerves, and left lung are in bad condition. I am canvassing and telling lost souls about Jesus as opportunity affords and handing out Evangelists. Pray that the good seed sown may take root and grow. Don't forget to pray especially for my body and that God will open the way for me to spend my entire time in His service.—Mrs. Margaret Bissey, 426 Lynn St., Findlay, Ohio.

Please pray that God will give us a place of worship as we have no place but in the dwelling houses. Pray that my husband will receive the Holy Ghost and light on the Church of God and be a true blue member as I am anxious for him to be one of us.—Your sister in the Church of God, Louisa Porter, Pelzer, S. C.

Please pray a special prayer for my sister to be sanctified and filled with the precious Holy Ghost.—Lenon Easters, Lenox, Ga.

I have been down several months with stomach trouble and want all who read this to pray that I may be healed.—Your sister in Christ, Mrs. L. A. Allen, Cromwell, Ky.

We ask all the saints everywhere to pray for our baby. He has something like eczema all over his little body. We have been trusting the Lord for His healing but it seems like we just can't get complete victory. He gets better at times and then worse. We know Jesus is able to heal. He has been our healer about two years. Oh glory! We know He will never leave nor forsake us. Pray, dear saints, as you never prayed before, and if any one feels led to fast and pray, please do so for it seems like our faith is being tried to the very limit. Pray for us.—Your humble brother and sister in the Lord, Mr. and Mrs. Pleas Richers, Rt. 2, Colorado, Tex.

WE ARE TRULY HAPPY

SUGAR GROVE, Ill.—I truly praise God this morning for saving me from an awful world of sin, sanctifying me and filling me with the Holy Ghost and fire, as I truly know it will take this power to stand what is coming upon the earth. I wish to tell you of the all day meeting and baptizing we had Sunday, May 17th. The dear Lord surely did bless. There was shouting, dancing, talking in tongues and some interpretations given, so we had a spiritual as well as a physical feast.

Brother Joplin from Urbana, with some of his band was over, and he had charge of the afternoon service and baptized six in water. The Urbana folk sang some special songs for us which were enjoyed. The Lord has been blessing here since the revival in the spring and souls have been saved, sanctified and filled with the blessed Holy Ghost. We are a small band, as there are only nine of us, but we are truly happy. We need the prayers of all that we may stay humble and obedient. We desire to do something to convince lost and dying souls and bring them to Him who died for them. We want every one to pray much for the revival

thank the Lord for our pastor, Brother M. M. Thomas, and his faithfulness as pastor. He has been so good to us until we will never forget him and his wife for their labors with us. All who know the Lord please pray for the church here that it will continue to prosper. The revival closed May 31st with a number in the altar.—A brother in Christ, B. F. Thomas.

Notices & Specials

The Jesup district camp meeting will convene at Pine Grove church six miles north of Odum, Ga., July 2-19. Everybody come. You are welcome. Brother R. E. Drymon of Lakeland, Fla. will be in charge.

Saturday, July 4, will be home coming day for all of the Pine Grove members who are away. Come home, brothers and sisters. Pay your home church a visit July 4. There will be all day service. Both saints and sinners come. Bring a basket of good things to eat and someone to help you eat it. We extend to all neighboring churches a welcome. Come and let us enjoy the Fourth and also the meeting on to the 19th. Those who come please pray for the precious Holy Ghost to be the leader from the first service to the last.

There will be a store and restaurant for the convenience of those who want to camp. Bring your camping outfit. Don't forget the time and place. Begin to make arrangements to be here for the first service July 2.—C. A. Culpepper, pastor, J. H. Wesberry, clerk.

I am located at Vardaman, Miss., and any one desiring my service as an evangelist will please write me at the address above. I want to do my best for the Lord.—J. R. Nicholson.

A revival began at Grasshopper, Tenn. June 8. Brother T. C. Franklin is doing the preaching. Please pray for the success of this meeting. You are invited to attend.

The Church of God at Etowah, Tenn. would like to know the whereabouts and spiritual condition of the following members: Sister Martha Taylor, Callie Miller, Linda Everett, Brother Marshall Taylor, and Clifford Derrick. If not heard from by our next quarterly conference, your names will be dropped from the church book. We would like to have a written statement regarding your spiritual condition at once.—W. G. Tilson, clerk, Box 115, Etowah, Tenn.

We want a good revivalist to conduct a revival at Omaha, Ark. soon. Anyone feeling led of the Lord, write.—L. L. Milam, Omaha, Ark.

If anyone desires me to hold a revival this summer, please write me as I am open for calls. I will go to any state.—Elsie Franklin, Evangelist, Salem, Ky.

A CONFESSION TO THE CHURCH

I remember one of the questions asked in the questionnaire sent to each preacher last year to be filled out was, "Do you pay tithes regularly?" I could not answer yes as I had left off paying regularly and was behind with them. I did not mean that I did not believe in paying tithes but by neglecting to pay regularly got behind with them. The depression came and I have never been able to pay up that I left off. I am sure now I got out of God's will when I neglected to pay tithes regularly. I decided April 1st that from that time on I would never leave off paying tithes regularly for any cause, knowing that all preachers are required to pay tithes. I am determined to obey the teachings of the Church. I ask the church to forgive me for this neglect and for failing to keep up with my membership as I should have done. Please pray for me and for the Lord to forgive me and help me to preach His Word until Jesus comes or calls.—Charlie Gossett, 701 5th Ave., Pratt City, Ala.

I wish to announce that the writer and wife and J. C. Cox and wife are engaged in a battle against sin and the devil at Tifton, Ga. Two received the Holy Ghost last night. The interest is fine. Saints of God everywhere, pray especially for real success at this place.—Your brother in Jesus, Lenon Easters, Rt. 2, Box 14, Lenox, Ga.

P. S. If you need us for a revival write us. We will be open for calls soon, especially in Alabama and Georgia.

This is to notify whom it may concern that I have been appointed clerk of the Church of God at Flat Top, Ala. for the ensuing year. All matters concerning the church may be sent to me.—Lutie Grissett, clerk, Box 89, Flat Top, Ala.

The writer has just closed a two weeks' revival at Pineola, N. C. Twenty-four were saved, fourteen sanctified and eight baptized with the Holy Ghost.—J. C. Farmer.

There will be conference at the Walhalla Church of God No. 2 the first Wednesday night in July. Members who see this please notify us as to your spiritual condition.—C. E. McAbee, pastor of Walhalla No. 2, 3 Bal-langer St., Walhalla, S. C.

The Dayton District Convention will convene at Dayton, Tenn., June 27 and 28, 1931. All the churches of the district are expected to report. Also

we are planning to have here this Fall. Pray for me to grow stronger.—A sister in Christ Jesus, Jennie Gregory.

the Sunday Schools should bring their reports. We are expecting a great time in the Lord at this convention.—A. Gann, Overseer of Tennessee.

To the many friends in the great Church of God: As this is the best time of the year to do evangelistic work, I take this method to let everyone know that I am ready to go in the work anywhere I am needed. If anyone can send me the fare to come I will hold a revival for them. I am nearly sixty years old, but still able to work for the Lord. Anyone who is interested write Eliza Kendall, evangelist, Rasine, Ky.

Somewhere in Alabama in one of the revivals I conducted in that state last year, I left my book, "The Syriac Version." If anyone finds or has found it, will you please send it to me? May God bless you is our prayer.—W. T. Nelson, Box 32, Walhalla, S. C.

The Church of God at Ferndale, Fla. would like to know the whereabouts and spiritual condition of Willie Prime and wife. They were last heard of at Lake Park, Ga. If not heard from by next quarterly conference (last of July), we will have to drop their names from our records.—Wesley Trousdale, clerk.

The Church of God at Pleasant Hill would like to hear from all the members who belong there either in person or by letter on or by the first Monday night in July.—Your brother in Christ, J. W. Whittington, clerk, Charhage, Miss.

Princeton District Convention

The district convention of the Princeton District convened at Lester, W. Va. May 14-17. This was spoken of by many as being the best convention we have ever had. Brother T. J. Meade, district overseer, had his program well arranged. Brother E. C. Clark, state overseer, was in charge. I must say the saints at Lester are true blue and are in unity, all working for the upbuilding of the church. The delegates were well cared for, some by those who were not members of the Church of God. We thank God for the good people at Lester. Love and unity prevailed throughout the convention. Faults were confessed by some, and God was given the highest praise in almost every service. We had good music and singing. Hazel Worley, Edith Whitlow and the writer acted as pianists, with Brother Meade and wife with their guitars and madolin. Later Brother J. A. Perkins came with his banjo, also Brother G. W. Helmick with his string music. Brother Helmick sang some good special songs, which were enjoyed very much.

The welcome address was given by Robt. Flinchum on Thursday night. Sister Laura Thomas and Brother G. E. Thompson responded with a short talk each, after which H. S. Smith preached on "The Day of Small Things." This was said by many to have been a wonderful sermon. At 11 a. m. Brother D. G. Hutto delivered an interesting sermon on "Anecdote for Poison of Sin." In the afternoon Robt. Flinchum gave an interesting sermon on "The Value of a Soul," followed by D. G. Smith who delivered a sermon on "The Sin of Neglect," which was certainly good for every saint of God present. He brought out so plain the neglect of prayer, reading and obeying God's Word, and many other things.

At 7:30 p. m. the praise service was led by H. S. Smith, which was greatly enjoyed, followed with a sermon by G. W. Helmick, subject, "The World's Biggest Fool," after which an altar call was given and many were blessed. God surely manifested His power and the saints rejoiced together.

Saturday at 9:30 a. m. we had songs and prayer, after which T. J. Meade preached on "Missions," followed by some good remarks by E. C. Clark and an offering was taken for this great cause, which amounted to \$7.10. Much of the afternoon was given to oral questions concerning the teachings of the Church of God. We learned many things by Brother Clark explaining them to us. God wonderfully blessed Brother H. M. Bates in preaching at night from the subject, "The Children of Abraham," followed by a sermon by Brother C. W. Browning, "Walking in the Light." He is an ex-Methodist minister, and has been set forth as a minister in the Church of God. After this an offering of \$15.25 was taken up for the state overseer. We must commend the folks for being liberal despite the financial depression.

Sunday morning after Sunday School a short talk on the C. of G. Y. P. E. was given by the writer. Brother Bates delivered a wonderful message on "Pure Religion," which I believe made every child of God see the need of a closer walk with God. Brother Helmick then sang Mother's Sleeping and Two Little Orphans, after which an offering of about \$30.00 was given for the orphans.

In the afternoon Brother Ben Wood-

11 Received Holy Ghost, Church Set In Order

PAMPA, Tex.—A four weeks' meeting at this place has just closed. Eleven received the Holy Ghost, three were sanctified and several saved. A church was set in order on Sunday night, May 31st with ten members—two by transfer. Also sacrament and feet washing was observed Sunday night. Large crowds were present every night at the tent with good interest shown. The Lord met with us in every service, and we feel there is fruit that will yet ripen to the benefit of this great Church of God. J. T. Campbell Evangelistic Party.

ring preached a wonderful sermon with power on the Bible Church, and so plainly brought the light on the Church of God being the Bible Church. I don't see how anyone present could be in doubt over the church. An hour was then given to answer written questions on the Bible by Brothers Clark, Meade and Bates, which was beneficial to all present.

At 7:30 p. m. the testimony service was led by G. E. Thompson, and at times there would be two and three testifying—God bless. Brother Clark then delivered a wonderful message on "The Way Back to God." My! his sermon was so full of wisdom and food to our souls. An offering was given for our district overseer, which was \$9.40, if we understood correctly.

Brother Helmick was faithful to sing specials and play either guitar or violin, which was greatly appreciated. Sister Laura Thomas, Brothers G. E. Thompson and Jack Holt served faithfully on the entertainment committee. I believe the folks will feel like having another convention at Lester. We

A Needy Field

I am praising God with my whole heart, because I am still on the King's highway of holiness, trying to do my best for God and to win souls for Him. The Lord is still blessing here at Lad-ville. We had our pastor, Brother Burk, with us last Saturday night and Sunday, and he surely did some good preaching. There were several in the altar at each service. One prayed through on Sunday night and received the Holy Ghost. He surely is a power for God. Pray much for the work at this place, for it is such a needy field.—Your sister in His service, Mrs. J. D. Hudson, clerk.

Another Church of God in Missouri

Another new church has been set in order nine miles south of Poplar Bluff on highway No. 53.

Last October Brother Kinder came here for a three weeks' revival. After the revival was over he left the writer in charge. We certainly stayed on the job; organized a Sunday School; and on the third Sunday in May set the church in order with twenty-three members. There are more looking this way. We praise the Lord for the true Gospel, and for the way He is blessing at Big Island.—L. W. Lane, pastor.

should mention Brothers Thomas and Plinchum who acted faithfully as choristers.—Your sister in Christ, Lelia Thompson, clerk, Glen Morrison, W. Va.; T. J. Meade, District Overseer.

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Mrs. C. L. Waldron, Port Arthur, Tex., 1 boy's suit, 1 cap, 2 pair pants (worn); Mrs. Martha Durgen, Chicomauga, Ga., 1 bed spread, 1 box of thread, 24 yds. white broadcloth; Church, Reading, Pa., 15 pr. socks, 1 pr. anklets, 7 pr. hose for baby, 1 coat collar, 2 pr. ladies' slippers, 13 boys' suits, 5 pr. pants, 3 pr. knickers, 1 shirt, 2 boys' sweaters, 1 coat, 1 vest, 2 pr. unions for girls, 12 girls' dresses, 5 girls' skirts with bodies attached, 4 girls' princess slips, 15 misses' dresses, 3 ladies' dresses, 1 girl's ensemble suit, 2 dress coats, 4 ladies' blouses, 2

children's coats, 2 ladies' coats, 1 coat lining, 2 bodies, 3 ladies' hats, 3 caps, 1 brassiere, 3 belts, 1 lace yoke, 2 pr. sleeping garments, 10 pr. bloomers, 10 pr. teddies, 5 pr. babies' unions, 1 pr. boys' unions, 1 table runner, 6 shirts, 1 sweater, two dresses for baby, 1 bow tie (worn), 11 pkgs. rick rack, 1 miss' dress, 1 yd cloth, 10 children's dresses, 3 pr. children's teddies, 2 gowns, 7 princess slips, 6 children's undershirts, 1 roll of scraps (new); Mrs. Tom Murray, Cleveland, Tenn., R.F.D., 6 one-half gal. jars of fruit and pickles.

A PURPOSE IN LIFE

LOGAN, W. Va.—Have thought for some time I would write and send greetings to our many friends back South through the Evangel, and to praise the Lord also for His many blessings to us here. We have been in Logan, W. Va. near seven months. The year is passing by and I am glad to say the Lord is blessing the work here this year. "We can do all things through Christ who strengtheneth us." We have had battles, and have had victories; have had afflictions and the Lord has blessed and healed. We have a fine bunch of saints, old and young, and we are trying to do our best while here.

I have thought several times I would write about our Y. P. E. here in Logan. We have a fine band of "Willing Workers". At the beginning of the year it seemed that the young people were scarce, only a very few who would work, but we started a revival in February and the Lord blessed and saved a bunch of young boys and girls, and since the revival we have a lively band. The Lord has saved others, and now we have near fifty enrolled. We have made some changes in getting up our programs. We now have a committee of two who look after the program and we all like this way fine, and the Lord is blessing. Most every service there are from six to twelve seeking the blessing.

Brother Eugene Winters, pastor at Huntington, W. Va., preached for us

once at our Y. P. E. He is one of the home boys here, and we were all glad to have him with us, and enjoyed his message very much. Also the young Brother Blair since his return from Bible School adds one more to our number. He left a sinner boy but returned saved, sanctified, and filled with the Holy Ghost. We all appreciate him. We thank the Lord for every one here in the Y. P. E.

I very often wish while reading the "Lighted Pathway" that I could write something encouraging to Sister Harrison that would inspire her to go on with the good work she has started, for great good is being accomplished by her efforts, we feel sure. The young people need something to keep them busy—something to keep their minds on holy things. Every young life should have some good purpose in view. By choosing appropriate programs for the Y. P. E. we may be able to create an inspiration in them to study and develop their minds, so that in the future they may be able to help others. It does not show wisdom to live with no purpose in view; no object to be attained; nothing to engage our best thoughts and most honest efforts. It is not justice to oneself to live a purposeless life, neither is it treating God right, who created us for a high and holy purpose. Life is too precious to be spent in idleness. But we want to be, and do something that counts. We cannot be as driftwood,

just going here and there as the tide may take us; we will never amount to much in that way. We do not drift into life's best and noblest, highest and holiest; we work our way into it day by day, step by step, as we climb higher and higher up life's stairway. It is the duty of all to live for a noble purpose—this cannot be either doubted or questioned. We may not be able to do great things like some, but we can do the little things and shine just where we are.

God will hold us responsible if we bury our talent. A life without a purpose is like a ship without a rudder; it is left to drift about at the mercy of the waves, and is as likely to be wrecked as it is to reach port safely. Forward, and upward should be our aim and aspiration. Our success depends upon our purpose and efforts. Our first and main resolve should be to live a Christian life; to please God and take Him with us always, and to discharge our every duty the very best we can.

We covet your prayers for the Y. P. E. here in Logan, and ask each one who has lived in, or visited in Logan, to please remember your friends here who are seeking the Lord. They need your prayers. We desire our friends and home folks to hold us up in prayer. I am not strong in body, but am serving One who is able to heal.—A sister in the Lord, Mrs. Roy E. Blackwood, P. O. Box 1196, Logan, W. Va.

An Enjoyable Convention

Lawton District Convention was held in Faxon, Okla. beginning May 15 at 8:30 p. m. with prayer and songs. Following the opening address from 1 Cor. 13th chapter by our State Overseer, Brother Oglesby, the Welcome Address was given by Brother Collins, pastor of the Faxon Church. Brother Dodson from Walters and Brother Plake from Ardmore gave the response, after which we had a real good testimony service conducted by Brother Oglesby. The service then closed with all hearts rejoicing, and waiting for the Saturday morning service at 10:00 a. m.

The Bible study was enjoyed on Saturday. At night the sermon delivered by Brother Plake on "Man Looketh on the Outward Appearance, but God Looketh on the Heart" was enjoyed. The services seemed to get better all the time.

Sunday morning was still better. It seemed all the saints were melted into tears. The testimony service was wonderful. We had many of our brothers and sisters from Lawton with us. But the best of all to us, for which we praise the Lord, was the wonderful sermon that Brother Oglesby brought to us. It was a great blessing. His sermon was on the church in general. I don't believe tho' that he ever did get to his text—the good Lord blessed him so wonderfully. Oh, that all would take heed to the true Gospel. I am sure that it would be a great blessing if they would.

After the morning service we spread

B. T. S.

Need To Know The Word of God

I have been watching the columns of the Evangel for the past few weeks, eagerly waiting to see some good reports or letters from the B. T. S. students. But on receiving the paper today and still no school news to be found, I decided to write a few words in behalf of the B. T. S.

Well do I remember Brother Payne having the students all to promise to write an article to the Evangel during vacation. Some few kept their promise and their articles appeared, and no doubt were a blessing to all interested in the school. As for myself, I failed to write. It wasn't because I did not love the school, or was not interested in it, but it was just neglect. The vacation had so quietly and quickly fled from me, until then I did not have time to perform my duty. So I felt guilty and ashamed. For we read in Eccl. 5:5, Better is it that thou shouldst vow not vow, than that thou shouldst vow and not pay.

No doubt in my mind but what each one has resolved in his heart to do all he can for the B. T. S. this summer. But remember that procrastination is the thief of time. So if you are not on your guard he will catch you napping. So come on students and ex-students, let us pay our vows, and be a worker and booster for the school we all love so dearly. There ought to be dozens of B. T. S. letters on file all the time, just waiting for space in the paper.

When we think of these last days in which we live, how that the devil is going about not only as a roaring lion seeking whom he may devour, but also as an angel of light trying to deceive, it behooves us to be on our watch for him. It seems to me that deception has been one of his most deadly weapons all down through the ages. He beguiled Mother Eve, which resulted in this whole world being born in sin. Through deception he has caused mighty men and nations to fall. So don't forget but what he is still on his job. Now that he has had near six

Prayer Meetings In Homes

I thank the dear Lord for victory in my soul just now. And for the meetings we had at Kildav in March. Our souls are refreshed. Sister Ida Johnson and the writer are having prayer meetings in different homes. Pray for God to save souls in these meetings. And that we will lift up a standard for the King; for He said, "I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me." St. John 12:32. Pray for my loved one out in sin that he will come to the Lord before it is too late, and that I may be more humble. Your sister for lost souls, Mrs. Mamie Day, Everts, Ky.

our dinner and ate, though all the while we could hear the saints talking about the past good services. After noon hour we entered right into the evening service, praising God for His wonderful love and great blessings throughout the entire convention, which would close with the evening service. We were glad and enjoyed the good sermon Sister Plake brought us from the 14th chapter of St. John. There were a few present from each of the three churches in the district. I think this is the first district convention Lawton has ever had, but we are looking for another one some time if Jesus tarries.

I feel unworthy to be the one to write this report, but we praise God from whom all blessings flow for the good fellowship of the saints, and that we could be gathered together for a good convention.—An humble servant of Christ, Miss Thelma Chapman.

THE CHURCH OF GOD COLORED WORK IN FLORIDA

Announces that it is sending out appeals to its friends and supporters to secure enough coupons from Octagon soap products to enable it to build an auditorium in the city of Jacksonville, Fla.

For a long time the institution has badly felt the need of an auditorium. It is very glad that thru special arrangement with the makers of Octagon soap products a way has been found to obtain it without the expenditure of cash. The Church of God Auditorium (colored) will be secured exclusively with coupons and since the number of coupons required is more than the institution itself can save all friends are urged to assist in raising the necessary amount.

All donations of Octagon Premium Coupons, be they few or many, will be gratefully received. It is hoped that there will be a liberal response. Send your coupons to 417 N. W. 6th Ave, Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., % J. H. Curry, Overseer of colored work.

VIRGINIA STATE ASSEMBLY
Will Convene At
Chilhowie, Va., August 6-9 and the State Camp Meeting will Continue under the Big Tent.

KANSAS and MISSOURI STATE CONVENTION
Will Convene At
Desloge, Mo., August 13-16
S. W. Latimer, General Overseer, will be present

GEORGIA STATE CAMP MEETING
Will Convene At
Macon, Ga., Corner Grand and Forrest Avenues
June 12-23
Everybody Come Prepared to Camp

NORTH GEORGIA STATE CONVENTION
Will Convene At
Crane Eater Church, Near Calhoun, Ga.
July 30-August 3

ARKANSAS STATE CONVENTION
Will Convene At
Poplar Grove, Ark., August 14, 15, 16
S. W. Latimer, General Overseer will be present

WEST VIRGINIA STATE ASSEMBLY
Will Convene At
Salem, W. Va. July 30-Aug. 2
E. C. Clark, State Overseer

OKLAHOMA STATE CAMP MEETING AND CONVENTION
Will Convene At
Maude, Okla., July 19-Aug. 2

MONTANA STATE ASSEMBLY
Will Convene At
Big Timber, Mont., June 20-24

ILLINOIS STATE CONVENTION
Will Convene At
Eldorado, Ill., June 18-21

SOUTH CAROLINA STATE CONVENTION
Will Convene At
Greenville, S. C., July 23-26
S. W. Latimer, General Overseer, to be present

OHIO STATE CONVENTION
Will Convene At
Akron, Ohio, July 9-12

MISSISSIPPI STATE CONVENTION
Will Convene At
Pisgah Springs church near Eupora, Miss
July 17-19
Followed by ten days' state camp meeting

PENNSYLVANIA STATE CONVENTION
Will Convene At
Somerset, Pa., in "Englewood Park" June 24-28

N. and S. DAKOTA STATE ASSEMBLY
Will Convene At
Plaza, N. Dak., June 28 thru July 5

TENNESSEE STATE ASSEMBLY
Will Convene At
E. Chattanooga, Tenn., July 3-5.

ALABAMA STATE CAMP MEETING
Will Convene At
Alabama City, Ala., July 15-26.

TEXAS STATE CAMP MEETING
Will Convene At
Weatherford, Texas, August 6-16

TO PARENTS

Fathers and mothers: You need to wake up to the fact that your sons and daughters not only need a literary education in this wicked day in which we live, but also need to know the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make them wise unto salvation.

Let's all study to show ourselves approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth. So when our trials and tests come, we can say with Christ, our example, it is written, thus and so. By so doing we will be able to stop the mouths of the gain-sayers, as the Word of God is the answer to all controversy.

An ex-student and B. T. S. lover, Annie Lee Walker, Lake Odessa, Mich., R.F.D. 5.

REPORT OF WORK IN CALIFORNIA AND ARIZONA

(Continued from page one)

arranged across the front, on the piano and a table at the side; the pulpit stand was painted white also with a large bouquet of red roses; a lattice work of white was constructed across the building in front of the altar, with an arched gateway over the top entrance at either side of the platform and an American flag displayed from the top of each. The Church building dressed up for the memorable occasion is not all, so we will put the lesser things aside and consider those pertaining to the Church Triumphant.

The folks began to come in from off the field a day before the convention was scheduled to start, and the good people of the city (about 15,000 souls) surely did everything in their power to make us welcome, and our stay enjoyable, the unsaved as well as Christians throwing open their houses, every out-of-town delegate was furnished with free room and in most cases free meals. The coming of the meeting created news, the Arizona Record (large daily paper) gave us a big write-up with a full page headline in bold faced type, and printed our entire program free, with another write-up announcing the different speakers and their subjects. We were short of seating room and the Y.W.C.A. and Ladies' Club donated us the use of fifty chairs, this proving inadequate, we were able to get fifty-five more from the High School Auditorium, filling up all the available space in aisles and still the house was packed out to the doors, with perhaps a hundred standing in the vestibule and around the door. And such perfect order among the unsaved was never witnessed in our travels from coast to coast and from Canada to Mexico.

One could not but feel welcome on entering the place, for we seemed to be right in the very atmosphere of Heaven. As we were aware of the fact we had been lifted higher, and it seemed that Heaven had been lowered just a little, as it never seemed nearer. And when Brother Paul Knight, the local pastor, had finished his address of welcome, we could scarcely restrain ourselves and did not try very hard. There was an out-pouring of the Spirit at this time, which continued throughout the meeting, letting up only long enough for the different speakers to deliver their messages. Following Brother Knight, Brothers Bert Boyer and Marion Rundell, Sisters Isabelle Rickman and Ione Rundell of Arizona, and Sister Hargis of California responded from the field with very interesting talks.

At the morning service the second day Brother Stonelake delivered a message on "Walking in the Light," which seemed to be enjoyed by all present. Following the business session in the afternoon Sister Helen Hamilton brought a message to the young people, followed with a splendid program by the children and young people, which was very impressive throughout. The children formed in line on the street, the little girls dressed in white lined up in columns two and two according to their height, one little girl marched in carrying a basket containing grain which she scattered as she walked across the platform singing "Sowing in the Morning, Reaping in the Evening" then the procession marched in and joined in the singing, each little girl carrying a bundle of wild yellow flowers to represent the golden sheaves. Various other exercises too numerous to mention were carried out, with precision, after which each gave their testimony. The good training received under Sister Hamilton surely has meant much, as most all of them testified to salvation,

some had received the Holy Ghost including a little five year old girl. We never saw better trained children anywhere in our wide travels at home and abroad—not once did any of them have to be called down for running in and out, or across the floor.

At the Saturday night service Sister Sallie Mull gave a talk on the "Joy of the Lord" after which the writer preached on the subject of "Bible Holiness" which was followed with an altar service.

Sunday a. m. Sister Susan Miller gave an interesting talk on "Sunday School Interest," after which Sister Emma Knight gave out a wonderful message on "The Coming of the Lord." In the afternoon Brother H. V. Miller gave a missionary address which was good, following which Sister Isabelle Rickman gave a talk on the orphanage work which was very touching.

At the night meeting Brother G. Stonelake conducted a rousing testimony meeting and wound up the service with a sermon on "Repentance" which lasted until 11:30 p. m.—none seeming to tire or lose interest. The writer was to preach on "Divine Government," but there was such a crowd of the unsaved and such wonderful interest we thought it best to put off our subject for another time, the power of God fell so at times some ran out on the streets and into poolrooms and other places, calling on sinners to repent. Many seemed scared and awe struck.

We had a fifteen piece string band in attendance including two wind instruments and an xylophone, which rendered special music throughout. Several special vocal selections were rendered, some by the Salvation Army Quartet which was greatly appreciated by all. Folks who had been in the way for twelve years or more said they never witnessed a greater outpouring of the Spirit than this. Many messages in other tongues went forth with interpretations, invariably bespeaking God's approval upon the Church of God work in this state, and calling the people together in the ONE FOLD. One brother who could not even sing in his own understanding, sang a song in the Spirit. We were not able to hear all the interpretation that was given but in part, which was "It's good for the high, and it's good for the low; it's good for the rich, and it's good for the poor."

On Monday morning we went down on the Salt River bank of the world's famous Roosevelt Dam, where a baptismal service was conducted. After a good song service and prayer, Brother H. V. Miller gave forth a wonderful message on "Water Baptism," candidates: men, women and girls, ranging in age from five to about fifty-five. The power of God came down at the beginning and was on the people throughout the service. The water was very swift, and the river bed was covered with round boulders which would roll from under our feet, making it very difficult to manage some of the converts whose weight was said to go beyond the two hundred mark.

We posted one of the brethren in the middle of the stream and took them out one at a time. The first was a lady who did not have the Holy Ghost. She was under the power so we could scarcely manage her, in fact, the two of us were going around in the middle of the river for a time, while those on the bank were becoming alarmed for fear we would get into the deep water and be drowned. We never could get her still and had to baptize her with both arms in the air, and mouth open praising God. We got her to the shore with the help of the other brother, after some difficulty, whereupon she

Deaths

"Blessed and holy is he that hath part in the first resurrection: on such the second death hath no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with him a thousand years."

KENOD

Louise Margaret Kenode was born October 18, 1919 and died May 22, 1931, being 12 years, 7 months and 4 days of age. She was saved, sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost. We feel our loss is heaven's gain.

She leaves to mourn her death a father, mother, three sisters, two brothers and a host of relatives and friends. Dear ones, weep not as those who have no hope for we feel that Louise is at rest.

The funeral was conducted by the pastor, T. J. Meade. The body was laid to rest in the Hesel Cemetery to await the coming of Jesus.—One who loved her dearly, (Miss) Irmatru Akers, 414 Kee St., Princeton, W. Va.

DUNN

On March 17, 1931 the death angel visited the home of Mrs. Cora Dunn and took her away. She was saved, sanctified and seeking the Holy Ghost. She was 38 years old. Sister Cora loved the Church of God.

She leaves to mourn her death her mother, Mrs. Margaret Dunn; two daughters, Ethel and Edna; two sons, Namond and Ernest. Sister Cora was ready to go, but it was hard to leave her mother and children. She was a good mother and loved by all who knew her. She is missed in the Sunday School as teacher of the Ladies' Class.

Her funeral was preached by Brother M. C. McAbee, assisted by our pastor, Brother W. T. Nelson. She was laid to rest at No. 2 Church of God.—One who loved her dearly, Mrs. Florence Pace, Walhalla, S. C.

IMPERIO

James Walter Imperio, son of Joseph Imperio and wife, was born Oct. 15, 1929 and died Apr. 15, 1931. Little James died with double pneumonia.

He leaves to mourn the loss of him, a father, mother, three brothers and two sisters. Their loss is heaven's gain. May God comfort the hearts of the bereaved ones.

Interment was in the Bloomington Cemetery, Bloomington, Md. Funeral was in charge of the writer, assisted by Brother Guy M. Maurer.—J. W. Charlesworth, acting pastor at Boswell, Pa.

BARNES

The death angel visited the home of Mrs. J. L. Forrester and claimed for its victim Mrs. Nola Barnes, age thirty nine years and five months. She was born June 30, 1891 and died Oct. 10, 1930. She leaves to mourn her death a husband, two sons, two daughters, a mother and father, six sisters, one brother, other relatives and a host of friends. She was laid to rest in the Greenwood Memorial Park to await the coming of the King.

Dear one from our midst you have departed; Your face here on earth we ne'er more shall see, Still we cherish the glad and happy thought,

That in heaven some day we'll be with thee. —Written by one who loved her, Mary Hedgecoth, 2503 Camden St., E. Chattanooga, Tenn.

SHAW

On March 7 the death angel visited the home of Mr. John Shaw and claimed his darling wife, Sister Ellen Shaw. Her health had been failing for some time but she had only been confined to her bed for a few days. She bore her suffering with much patience. She was sixty-seven years of age. She leaves a husband, one son, two daughters, several grandchildren and great grandchildren, one brother and four sisters. She was a true, loyal member of the Church of God at Perry, Fla. and was loved by everybody. She was truly an example for all. She had salvation for eighteen years and was a member of the Church of God for fifteen years and trusted the Lord for the healing of her body for twelve years. She always warned and admonished the people to get ready to meet their blessed Savior. She was a loving mother and true wife. We say to her husband and children, Seek God with your whole heart and some day you will meet your dear mother again on the golden shore. Her pastor, Brother Gordon Prince, aided by Brother Kerce of Cross City, conducted her funeral and her body was laid to rest in the Mingo Cemetery to await the coming of Jesus.—One who loved her much, Mrs. S. O. Roulerson, Carbur, Fla.

COTTER

On April 2, 1931 our dear father, Steven William Cotter of Turtletown, Tenn. fell asleep in Jesus. He was born December 2, 1857.

In 1879 he was united in marriage to Lydia Drucilla Coleman. To this union were born ten children, nine girls and one boy. Three of the girls preceded him to the Great Beyond. Dear father and mother were always at their post of duty and kept the home fires burning. I truly thank the good Lord for them. Father was a great lover of the Bible, and had mother to read to him often. He had a good memory of the Scriptures, and his doors were always open to the ministers of the Gospel. He dearly loved to be in service where the real power of God would fall as the Word went

fell prostrate under the power of the Spirit. Several others began to rejoice and dance in the Lord, and presently a number fell as dead on the river bank and we had an altar service right there. The writer has baptized folks in both oceans and many rivers and lakes between in the last eleven years, but never saw such an outpouring at a service of this kind. Our physical strength was almost exhausted after making fifteen trips out in the river, which was very cold, being snow water from the distant snow-capped mountains. Our feet were sore for days from being bruised on the rocks and almost cooked walking on the scorching hot desert sands along the shore, but we did not mind it, as it was only a gentle reminder of the memorable service held on the gold sprinkled sands bordering the old Salt River in Arizona. During the excitement, when it seemed one of the women candidates would get away from us, one lady on the bank got scared and ran out in the river with her nice white uniform on, and grabbed her by the arm. One elderly man got a call to preach. At this time several messages were given in the Spirit approving the service. We are not through but must close, as space will not permit saying more at this time.

forth.

Our home circle down here is broken; never again can I go home to father and mother, but I look beyond this vale of tears to that great home coming in the skies where father and mother have a home eternal in the heavens. Dear sisters and brother, let us look unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith; choose Jesus as ours, so we can get to be with them again. I pray our home circle will be complete up there with Jesus. One by one their chairs are vacant: one by one they have left us here, but if we will trust the Lord all will be well some day. Written by the youngest child.—Mrs. Donnie (Cotter) Plake, 210 11th Ave., N. E. Ardmore, Okla.

PATTERSON

On May 30, 1930 the death angel visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert and Viola Patterson and claimed their darling little twin girls. They were born May 30 at 8:20 a. m. and one died at 1:00 p. m. and the other at 2:00 p. m. Jesus thought it best to take them home to rest. They leave to mourn their departure a father, mother, two grandfathers, two grandmothers, aunt, uncle, other relatives, and friends. Their bodies were laid to rest in the Ravia Cemetery to await the resurrection.—One who loved them dearly, Mrs. Mae Schafer.

JACKSON

In the early dawn of March 6 angels came to the home of Sister Bettie Jackson and piloted her across the river of death to the bright haven of rest to await until the great day of the Lord comes. Sister Jackson was a faithful member of the Church of God for eight years. Though she was old, she was faithful. She was past her eightieth birthday. She was sick for two months but bore her suffering patiently. She leaves one son, four daughters, fifty-five grandchildren, thirty-three great grandchildren, other relatives, and a host of friends. The funeral was conducted by the writer and her body was laid to rest in the Pine Grove Cemetery to await the coming of the Lord.—C. A. Culpepper, her pastor.

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The Macedonian Call

RUTH, Miss.—I am writing a plea for some one to come over and help us. If Brother Earl Brewer sees this I would be glad to hear from him concerning holding a meeting in this community some time in July or August, or any time the Lord leads. I am a member of the M. P. Methodist Church, but believe in the Church of God and have for a long time. No one around here knows anything about its teachings, and of course they can't believe unless they hear, and they can't hear without a preacher, and that is why we make this appeal for some one to come to our rescue. If God provides and leads, don't turn a deaf ear to our call. My home is open for service, and would do my best to take care of two or three workers, though I am poor so far as money is concerned. I live about twenty-five miles west of Montgomery, four miles west of Joysess and three miles east of Ruth.

LOVE THAT PASSETH KNOWLEDGE

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GOD'S LOVE IS UNFAILING
God's love is not only unchangeable but unfailing. In Isa. 49:15, 16 we read, "Can a woman forget her sucking child, that she should not have compassion on the son of her womb? Yea, they may forget, yet will I not forget thee. Behold, I have graven thee upon the palms of my hands; thy walls are continually before me." Now the strongest human love that we know of is a mother's love. Many things will separate a man from his wife; a father may turn his back on his child; brothers and sisters may become inveterate enemies; husbands may desert their wives, wives, their husbands, but a mother's love endures thru all, in good repute, in bad repute, in the face of the world's condemnation, a mother loves on and hopes that her child may turn from his evil ways and repent. She remembers the infant smiles, the merry laugh of childhood, the promise of youth, and she can never be brought to think him unworthy. Death cannot quench a mother's love. It is stronger than death. You have seen a mother watching over her sick child. How willingly she would take the disease into her own body if she could thus relieve her child. Week after week she will keep watch. She will let no one else take care of that sick child.

THIS IS MY BOY—I LOVE HIM STILL

I read once of a mother who had a very bad son. She did all she could to prevent the contamination of the boy but the influence of the father was stronger and he led his son into all kinds of sin, until the lad became one of the worst of criminals. He committed murder and was put on trial. All thru the trial the widowed mother (for the father had died) sat in the courtroom. When the witness testified against the boy it seemed to hurt the mother much more than the son. When he was found guilty and sentenced to die every one else, feeling the justice of the verdict, seemed satisfied, but the mother's love never faltered. She begged for a reprieve but that was denied. After the execution she craved for the body and this also was refused. According to custom it was buried in the prison yard. A little while afterwards the mother died, but before she was taken away she expressed a desire to be buried by the side of her boy. She was not ashamed to be known as the mother of a murderer.

THE CROSS OF CHRIST SPEAKS OF THE LOVE OF GOD

Nothing speaks to us of the love of God like the cross of Christ. Come with me to Calvary and look upon the Son of God as He hangs there. Can you hear that piercing cry from His dying lips? "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do." Can you say that He does not love you? Greater love hath no man than this that a man lay down his life for his friends. John 15:13. But Jesus Christ laid down His life for His enemies. Another thought is this, He loved us long before we ever thought of Him. The idea that He does not love us until we first love Him is not to be found in Scripture. In 1 John 4:10 it is written, "Herein is love, not that we loved God but that He loved us, and sent his son to be the propitiation for our sins." He loved us before we ever thought of loving Him. You loved your children before they knew anything about your love, and so long before we ever thought of God we were in His thoughts. What brought the prodigal home? It was the thought that his father loved him. Suppose the news had reached him that he was a cast-off and

that his father did not care for him any more? Would he have gone back? Never! But the thought dawned upon him that his father loved him still. He rose up and went back to his home. Dear reader, the love of the Father ought to bring us back to Him. It was Adam's calamity and sin that revealed God's love. When Adam fell God came down, and dealt in mercy with him. If any one is lost, it will not be because God does not love him. It will be because he has rejected the love of God.

48 Saved, 15 Sanctified, 15 Received Holy Ghost

GASTONIA, N. C.—A successful revival has closed at this place. Sister Helen Morrow and Mabel Day were in charge. To tell or write the good feeling spirit and cooperation and burden for the lost, is impossible. The meeting began with interest and large crowds, which lasted the entire three weeks. Sister Morrow was at her best and gave out the Word so that both saint and sinner could feel the presence of the Lord. As the people came for miles from many different places, it reminded us of old times.

Just here I will mention the names of a few who helped in the services: Brother Stephens and workers from Charlotte; Brother Garland Grooms and workers from western part of state; district overseer, Brother W. M. Stallings, and others from Belmont; J. M. Snyder from Kannapolis; J. A. McCarn from Lenoir, the Hix girls from Greenville, S. C.; and others who rendered valuable service that space will not permit to mention, but their service was very much appreciated. Sister Mabel rendered excellent music at the piano, also on the saxophone, which was enjoyed immensely—her invitation songs were impressive.

The altar services were good, and there was deep conviction on sinners from night to night. The burden for the lost was on the saints until they wept and prayed. Surely the Word was fulfilled, "When Zion travails sons and daughters will be born." Sister Morrow said, The burden for the lost has been greater on me during this revival than for years.

On the second Sunday that Sister Morrow was here she drove to church, and when getting out of the car threw her ankle out of place and had to be helped to the pulpit. She preached most of the sermon sitting in a chair. At the close of the sermon thirty-six hungry souls were in the altar for help. The Lord blessed Sister Morrow so that she did not miss a service. The record shows forty-eight saved, fifteen sanctified and fifteen received the Holy Ghost. A number were added to the church. Our pastor, Brother Dunn, keeps busy day and night. Prior to this revival he was in charge of a revival here which proved a success, and a number prayed thru. We are thankful for our pastor and proud of him. —Pearl Auten.

30 Saved, 25 Sanctified, 23 Received Holy Ghost

WHITWELL, Tenn.—We have just closed a meeting at this place. The Lord blessed our labors. There were thirty saved, twenty-five sanctified and twenty-three received the Holy Ghost. We are so glad for the way the Lord is working this year. We are in the battle for the Lord. Pray for us. —Edward Dedmon.

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14 But John forbad him, saying, I have need to be baptized of thee, and comest thou to me?

15 And Jesus answering said unto him, Suffer it to be so now; for thus

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